

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD

DATE: 21 September 2005

PLACE: 1 Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor
Providence, RI 02908

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs.: Carter and Pilz Ms. Bradford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Pagliarini

OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Dennehy, Deputy Chief Legal Counsel
Attorney Thomas Palombo
Irene Mowry, Administrative Assistant

CALLED TO ORDER: Vice-chair Carter called the meeting to order at
5:45 p.m.

PREPARED BY: Irene Mowry

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board

Board members reviewed the regular and executive minutes of the 20
July 2005 meeting. Motion to approve all minutes was made by Ms.

Bradford and seconded by Mr. Pilz. Motion was approved by all members present.

Executive Session

Vice-chair Carter moved to convene into executive session at 5:55 p.m. pursuant to RI General Laws, § 42-46-5(a)(2) for sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation and § 42-46-5(a)(4) for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Motion was seconded by Mr. Pilz and approved by all members present.

Vice-chair Carter gave Peter Dennehy, the Boards' new legal counsel a brief history of the Board and its inception. Attorney Dennehy in return informed board members of his duties in relation to the Board.

Ms. Bradford moved to adjourn from executive session and to reconvene to an open meeting at 7:45 p.m. pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-4. Mr. Pilz seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

Vice-chair Carter moved to seal the executive session and record the votes taken in executive session pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5. Mr. Pilz seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

Vice-chair Carter moved pursuant to RI General Laws § 42-46-4 that the Board defer disclosure of all votes in executive session until such

time as such disclosure would not jeopardize any strategy, negotiation, or investigation undertaken pursuant to RI General Laws § 42-46-5(a). Mr. Pilz seconded and motion was approved unanimously.

Ms. Bradford moved to record the votes taken in executive session in accordance with RI General Laws, § 42-46-4 as follows. Mr. Pilz seconded. Motion was approved unanimously to close the matter of Mary Ellen Flanagan and The Japanese Garden at Roger Williams Park; and Mr. James Pember of Newport Lawn & Garden d/b/a The Potting Shed vs Mr. Charles H. McLaughlin.

Old Business

Mr. Pilz attended CLARB's September Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, CA. He reported to the Board about matters relative to the nominating committee standards and recent elections. He also stated that he raised the issue regarding our Board's concern with CLARB's educational requirements. CLARB's response was that the individual registration board still has the final say as far as experience and educational requirements are concerned for licensure within a specific jurisdiction. Board members will continue to monitor this item. Also discussed was the closure date for acceptance of UNE scores.

In response to the Board's request because they do not have a

registered landscape architect in responsible charge, Bryant Associates, Inc. sent us a copy of the letter they mailed to the ASLA requesting that their name be removed from the list of companies offering landscape architectural services on their website.

New Business

(1) Mr. Pilz motioned to accept all passing scores for LARE candidate Kevin Alverson. Motion was seconded by Vice-chair Carter and approved by all members present. Board members reviewed and discussed score results from the June graphic sections of the LARE.

(2) A message was received by email from Brian Ackerman requesting consideration pertaining to test credit for previously passed sections of the P.E.L.A. He is currently a California LARE candidate. The Board contacted CLARB for a ruling. It is their policy that with the passing of all sections of the P.E.L.A., credit will be given for Sections A, B, and C of the LARE and a candidate would then have to pass Sections D and E of the LARE. Because Mr. Ackerman did not pass all sections of the P.E.L.A., he would not receive any credit and would be required to pass all sections of the LARE. The Board voted unanimously to abide by CLARB policy regarding this matter.

(3) Board members read and discussed a letter received from Nicholas Goodier. Mr. Goodier is inquiring if experience he received

as an employee for Horton Construction would be considered as an acceptable portion of the two-year experience requirement. After review of all information, the board determined that his experience was not gained under the direct supervision of a registered landscape architect or registered allied professional as is required by Section 5-51-4(2) of our law and therefore would not be approved toward satisfying the two-year experience requirement.

Applications

Motion was made by Mr. Pilz, seconded by Vice-chair Carter and approved by all members present to approve the examination application of Kevin Alverson for licensure and the reciprocity applications for John N. Amodeo, Christian C. Huntress, Martha H. Lyon and John Palcso.

COA's

Motion was made by Vice-Chair Carter and seconded by Mr. Pilz to approve the corporate COA applications for BL Companies New England, Inc. and C2 Studio, Inc. and the Sole Proprietorship COA for Kevin M. Alverson. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Mr. Pilz, seconded by Vice-chair Carter and approved by all members present to approve the COA exemption requirement for the following individuals per their request: Kelly R.

Carr, Marcia T. Paluzzi, David Raphael, Wilbert W. Route and Margaret T. Storrow.

Motion to deny the corporate COA for Benedek & Ticehurst, Ltd. for failure to submit the Certificate of Good Standing was made by Mr. Pilz, seconded by Ms. Bradford and approved by all members.

Board members previously requested information from RI licensed landscape architect Brent Narkawicz regarding his offering of landscape architectural services. In a letter dated July 22, 2005, Mr. Narkawicz responded to the board. In view of his response, it was a board decision that Mr. Narkawicz be notified that he is required to file a Certificate of Authorization (COA) as a Sole Proprietorship.

A Certificate of Authorization (COA) application for Huntress Associates, Inc. was found to be incomplete. Board members ruled that it be returned for completion of requested information.

Other Issues

(1) Chair Beck submitted her resignation from the Board effective August 1, 2005. In lieu of her resignation, Vice-chair Carter is assuming the responsibilities of the Chair. Board members discussed the need for additional members and suggested names of individuals they thought might be interested in serving on the board. They will make calls to inquire and report to the board at its next

meeting. The Board is currently seeking to fill three positions.

(2) Ms. Mowry informed Board members of inaccuracies at CLARB's website regarding policies for examination and licensure in R.I. Board members asked that Ms. Mowry contact CLARB to correct information so that it is consistent throughout their website.

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Mr. Pilz, seconded by Ms. Bradford and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled Wednesday, 19 October 2005.